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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

NAVARRO ET AL.

Examiner

NEIL LEVY

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Period for Reply

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 June 2009.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-48, 50-68 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 10-48 and 50-68 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☒ Claim(s) 1-48, 50-68 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/S508)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claims 10-48, 50-60 stand withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected species & invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on 2/6/08.

The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claims 1-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over NAVARRO et al WO 00/00022 in view of SU '82

NAVARRO show the instant crude extracts or turmeric incorporated or coated on packaging material. These are effective to repel insects. However, the alcohol portion is not as high as in the instant invention as claimed.

Claim 1 does limit the composition concentration of any of the 3 components to each other, nor the concentration of the composition to the package. Even trace amounts of AR turmerone and residue would be acceptable, and NAVARRO provides them.

Turmeric extracts, thus inclusive of all the instantly claimed components, also obtained from turmeric extracts applied to packaging material at up to 40% (page 8, top) is repellent to insects (page 12, Table I).

SU does concentrate the alcohol from turmeric, and shows them to be repellent to T. castaneum, the insect of concern to NAVARRO.

It would be obvious to combine two or more components which repel insects in order to increase the efficacy.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 6/3/09 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Arguments that the alcohols are not at 10% are overcome with SU.

We are in accord with the European Office determination that the source of turmerone is important, & that the instant claims are not sufficiently limiting to effective amounts as claimed. The reader must conduct much experimentation to achieve effective amounts, by balancing the ratio of 3 components, & choosing the correct source of the active.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to NEIL LEVY whose telephone number is 571-272-0619. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday, 7 AM to 5:30 PM EST..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, MICHAEL WOODWARD can be reached on 571-272-8373. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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